

(d) and (e). Yes, Sir. According to the report of State Leprosy Officer, Bihar, the details of leprosy in Munger district are given at the Statement attached.

STATEMENT

Detail of leprosy in Munger district of Bihar.

1. Population in 1991 – 30,55,135
2. Cases on record as on 31.3.91–11193
3. Prevalence of leprosy as on 31.3.91–4.71 per 1000 population
4. No. of leprosy cases under treatment as on 31.3.91–10,376
5. No. of new leprosy cases detected during 1990-91 – 553
6. New Cases put under treatment during 1990-91 – 532
7. No. of leprosy patients discharged during 1990–91 – 206

Leprosy infrastructure in the district

Leprosy Control Units – 2

Modified Leprosy Control Units– 1

Leprosy Centres – 3

Survey Education and Treatment Centres – 28

Temporary hospitalisation Ward–1

[English]

Payment to Karnataka for Lifting of Sugar

1067. SHRIMATI BASAVA RAJESWARI: Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Karnataka Government has urged the Union Government to lift its share of sugar produced in that State;

(b) if so, the total quantity of sugar lifted from the State during the last three years; and

(c) the total amount payable to the State Government therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD (SHRI TARUN GOGOI): (a) to (c). No such proposal has been received from Karnataka Government.

Legislation to Prohibit Smoking in Public Places

1068. SHRIMATI BASAVA RAJESWARI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to enact laws for prohibiting smoking in public places; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D.K. THARADEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) and (b). Administrative instructions have already been issued to prohibit smoking, to start with, in a few selected public places namely hospitals, dispensaries and other health care establishments, educational institutions, conference rooms, domestic air flights, air conditioned chair-cars and air conditioned sleeper coaches in trains, sub-urban trains and air-conditioned buses.

[Translation]

Conversion of Samastipur, Narkataganj Railway Line into Broad Gauge

1069. SHRI NAWAL KISHORE RAI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to convert the Samastipur-Narkatiaganj railway line into broad-gauge;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which the project is likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAL-LIKARJUN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The work is not an approved work.

Express Train from Kiul to Gaya

1070. SHRI NAWAL KISHORE RAI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to introduce a new Express train from Kiul to Gaya in Bihar;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAL-LIKARJUN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Due to operational and resource constraints.

[English]

Doubling and Electrification of Secunderabad-Guntur Line

1071. SHRI J. CHOKKA RAO: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal for doubling and electrification of the railway line between Secunderabad and Guntur (via) Nalgonda in Andhra Pradesh during the

Eighth Plan Period; and

(b) if so, the estimated cost of the project and the time frame fixed for the completion of this work?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAL-LIKARJUN): (a) and (b). Secunderabad – Bibinagar section is already doubled and is being electrified. There is no proposal to double or electrify Bibinagar-Nalgonda-Guntur section during the 8th Plan period.

[Translation]

Expenditure on Mother Child Health Programme

1072. SHRI SUKDEO PASWAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the total amount spent on Maternal and Child Health Programme in Araiya, Bihar; and

(b) the target fixed under the programme and the achievements made during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D.K. THARADEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) and (b). The information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the House.

Felling of Trees in Bheem Bandh Forests

1073. SHRI PIUS TIRKEY: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to the newsitem captioned "Lakhon ke ped roj kut rahai hain, Bheem Bandh Jungle Mein" appearing in the Nav Bharat Times, dated January 21, 1992;

(b) if so, the facts thereof; and